

Of Sin, Sacrifice & Salvation



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From the Series,
"Authentic Trust"

1 John 2:1-6

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1. John's Declared Truth (1)

"My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous."

- a. He mentions a possibility (1a) - "My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin."
- b. He manifests the reality (1b) - "But if anyone does sin..."
- c. He magnifies the remedy (1c) - "...we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous."

2. John's Dogmatic Teaching (2)

"He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world."

- a. Jesus has made us fully acceptable - "He is the propitiation for our sins..."
- b. Jesus can make anyone fully acceptable (2b) - "...and not for ours only but also for the sins of the world."

3. John's Diagnostic Test (3-6)

"3 And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. 4 Whoever says "I know Him" but does not keep His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, 5 but whoever keeps His word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in Him: 6 whoever says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which He walked."

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- a. For all there must be an evaluation (3) - "And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments."
- b. For some there should be an admission (4) - 4 Whoever says "I know Him" but does not keep His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him."
- c. For all there can be assurance (5) - "...whoever keeps His word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in Him."
- d. For all there must be intentionality (6) - "Whoever says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which He walked."